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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This communication is responsive to the Notice of Non-Compliant Appeal Brief mailed March 13, 2008. Pursuant to MPEP 1205.03, Appellant submits a summary of the Claimed subject matter as required by 37 CFR 41.37(c)(1)(v).

(5) Summary of Claimed Subject Matter

A concise explanation of each independent claim is included in this Summary section, including specific reference characters and, in some cases, portions of the specification. These specific reference characters are examples of particular elements of the drawings for certain claimed embodiments. It is to be appreciated and understood that the claims are not to be limited to solely the elements corresponding to these reference characters or cited portions of the specification and that this section is provided to comply with the requirement of 37 CFR § 41.37(c)(1)(v).

Claim 1 recites a method of processing media content comprising: receiving a physical ID that corresponds to a specific media upon which content resides that can be experienced by a user (page 17 lines 19-23, 604 of Fig 6), attempting to map the physical ID to a logical ID (page 17 lines 23-25, 606 of Fig 6), if no logical ID is found that corresponds to the physical ID, attempting to establish a logical ID for the physical ID by causing a Wizard user interface (UI) to be presented to a user via a client computer (page 14 lines 4-18, page 18 line 17 to page 19 line 20, 404 and 408 of Fig. 4, 700 of Fig. 7) so that information pertaining to the user's specific media can be collected from the user (page 15 lines 3-14, page 19 lines 21-25, 414 of Fig. 4, 702 of Fig. 7), and if a logical ID is found that corresponds to the physical ID (page 14 lines 19-24, page 17 line 25 to page 18 line 2, page 20 line 9-15, 410 of Fig. 4, 608 and 610 of Fig. 6, 710 of Fig. 7), searching a database that contains metadata associated with the specific media by using the logical ID as a basis for a search query

(page 17 line 25 to page 18 line 2, page 28 lines 13-19, 610 of Fig. 6, 1300 of Fig. 13), wherein different instances of a specific media with the same content thereon are associated with different physical IDs that are mappable to the same logical (page 11 lines 16-24, page 14 line 4 to page 15 line 14, page 20 lines 9-15, page 13 line 22 to page 14 line 3, Fig. 3, 404, 408, 410, 412 of Fig. 4, 712 of Fig. 7).

Claim 8 recites a server (page 6 line 1, page 6 line 15-22, 106 of Fig. 1, 200 of Fig. 2) comprising: one or more processors (page 7 line 16-19, 202 of Fig 2), one or more storage devices (page 6 line 2-10, page 8 line 7 to page 9 line 9, 108 of Fig. 1, 204, 228, 230, 234 of Fig. 2), and software code resident on the one or more storage devices (page 8 lines 7-14, page 9 lines 10-23, 212, 214, 216, 218, and 220 of Fig. 2), which, when executed by the one or more processors (page 7 line 16-19, 202 of Fig 2), cause the processors to: receive a physical ID that corresponds to a specific media upon which content resides that can be experienced by a user (page 17 lines 22-23, 604 of Fig. 6), attempt to map the physical ID to a logical ID (page 17 lines 23-25, 606, 608 of Fig 6), if no logical ID is found that corresponds to the physical ID, attempt to establish a logical ID for the physical ID by causing a Wizard user interface (UI) to be presented to a user via a client computer (page 14 lines 4-18, page 18 line 17 to page 19 line 20, 404 and 408 of Fig. 4, 700 of Fig. 7) so that information pertaining to the user's specific media can be collected from the user (page 15 lines 3-14, page 19 lines 21-25, 414 of Fig. 4, 702 of Fig. 7), if a logical ID is found that corresponds to the physical ID (page 14 lines 19-24, page 17 line 25 to page 18 line 2,

page 20 line 9-15, 410 of Fig. 4, 608 and 610 of Fig. 6, 710 of Fig. 7), search a database that contains metadata associated with the specific media by using the logical ID as a basis for a search query (page 17 line 25 to page 18 line 2, page 28 lines 13-19, 610 of Fig. 6, 1300 of Fig. 13), format the metadata in a XML schema (page 28 lines 19-23, 1304 of Fig. 13), and return the formatted metadata to a client (page 17 line 25 to page 18 line 2, page 28 lines 23-25, 610 of Fig. 6, 1306 of Fig. 13), wherein different instances of a specific media with the same content thereon are associated with different physical IDs that are mappable to the same logical ID (page 11 lines 16-24, page 14 line 4 to page 15 line 14, page 20 lines 9-15, page 13 line 22 to page 14 line 3, Fig. 3, 404, 408, 410, 412 of Fig. 4, 712 of Fig. 7).

Claim 9 recites one or more computer-readable media having computer-readable instructions thereon (page 8 line 7 to page 9 line 9, 228, 232, 236 of Fig. 2) which, when executed by a computer (page 6 line 15 to page 7 line 6, 200 of Fig. 2) , cause the computer (page 6 line 15 to page 7 line 6, 200 of Fig. 2) to: receive a physical ID that corresponds to a specific media upon which content resides that can be experienced by a user (page 17 lines 22-23, 604 of Fig. 6), attempt to map the physical ID to a logical ID (page 17 lines 23-24, 606 of Fig 6), if no logical ID is found that corresponds to the physical ID, attempt to establish a logical ID for the physical ID by causing a user interface (UI) to be presented to a user via a client computer (page 14 lines 4-18, page 18 line 17-24, page 19 line 11 to 20, 408 of Fig. 4, 700 of Fig. 7) so that information pertaining to the user's specific media can be

collected from the user (page 15 lines 3-14, page 19 line 21 to page 20 line 1, 414 of Fig. 4, 702 of Fig. 7), if a logical ID is found that corresponds to the physical, search a database that contains metadata associated with the specific media by using the logical ID as a basis for a search query (page 13 line 22-25, page 17 line 23 to page 18 line 2, page 28 lines 13-19, 404 and 406 of Fig. 4, 608 and 610 of Fig. 6, 1300 of Fig. 13), format the metadata in a XML schema (page 28 lines 19-25, 1304 of Fig. 13), and return the formatted metadata to a client (page 18 lines 1-2, page 28 lines 23-25, 610 of Fig. 6, 1306 of Fig. 13), wherein different instances of a specific media with the same content thereon are associated with different physical IDs that are mappable to the same logical ID (page 11 lines 16-24, page 14 line 4 to page 15 line 14, page 20 lines 9-15, page 13 line 22 to page 14 line 3, Fig. 3, 404, 408, 410, 412 of Fig. 4, 712 of Fig. 7).

Claim 10 recites a method of processing media content comprising: attempting to map a physical ID to a logical ID (page 13 lines 22-23, page 17 lines 23-25, 404 of Fig. 4, 606 of Fig. 6), the physical ID corresponding to a specific media associated with content that can be experienced by a user (page 11 lines 16-24, Fig. 3), if no logical ID is found that corresponds to the physical ID, attempting to establish a logical ID for the physical ID by causing a user interface (UI) to be presented to a user via a client computer (page 13 line 22 to page 14 line 18, page 18 lines 17-24, page 19 lines 11-20, 404 and 408 of Fig. 4, 700 of Fig. 7) so that information pertaining to the user's specific media can be collected from the user (page 15 lines 3-

14, page 19 lines 21-25, 414 of Fig. 4, 702 of Fig. 7), if a logical ID is found that corresponds to the physical ID (page 17 line 24 to page 18 line 2, 608 and 610 of Fig. 6), using the logical ID to query one or more databases that contain metadata associated with the specific media (page 17 line 24 to page 18 line 2, 610 of Fig. 6), and returning metadata associated with the specific media to a client (page 17 line 24 to page 18 line 2, 610 of Fig. 6), wherein different instances of a specific media with the same content thereon are associated with different physical IDs that are mappable to the same logical ID (page 11 lines 16-24, page 14 line 4 to page 15 line 14, page 20 lines 9-15, page 13 line 22 to page 14 line 3, Fig. 3, 404, 408, 410, 412 of Fig. 4, 712 of Fig. 7).

Claim 19 recites a method of processing media content comprising: receiving a physical ID that corresponds to a specific media associated with content that can be experienced by a user (page 17 lines 22-23, 604 of Fig. 6), attempting to map the physical ID to a logical ID (page 17 lines 23-25, 606 of Fig. 6), if a logical ID is found that corresponds to the physical ID, searching a database that contains metadata associated with the specific media by using the logical ID as a basis for a search query (page 17 lines 23 to page 18 line 2, 608 and 610 of Fig. 6), if no logical ID is found that corresponds to the physical ID, attempting to establish a logical ID for the physical ID by causing a user interface (UI) to be presented to a user via a client computer (page 13 line 22 to page 14 line 18, page 18 lines 17-24, page 19 lines 11-20, 404 and 408 of Fig. 4, 700 of Fig. 7) so that information pertaining to the user's

specific media can be collected from the user (page 15 lines 3-14, page 19 lines 21-25, 414 of Fig. 4, 702 of Fig. 7), wherein different instances of a specific media with the same content thereon are associated with different physical IDs that are mappable to the same logical ID (page 11 lines 16-24, page 14 line 4 to page 15 line 14, page 20 lines 9-15, page 13 line 22 to page 14 line 3, Fig. 3, 404, 408, 410, 412 of Fig. 4, 712 of Fig. 7).

Claim 27 recites a server computer (page 6 line 1, page 6 line 15-22, 106 of Fig. 1, 200 of Fig. 2) comprising: one or more processors (page 7 line 16-19, 202 of Fig. 2), one or more storage devices (page 6 line 2-10, page 8 line 7 to page 9 line 9, 108 of Fig. 1, 204, 228, 230, 234 of Fig. 2), and software code resident on the one or more storage devices (page 8 lines 7-14, page 9 lines 10-23, 212, 214, 216, 218, and 220 of Fig. 2), which, when executed by the one or more processors (page 7 line 16-19, 202 of Fig. 2), cause the processors to: receive a physical ID that corresponds to a specific media upon which content resides that can be experienced by a user (page 17 lines 22-23, 604 of Fig. 6), attempt to map the physical ID to a logical ID (page 17 lines 23-25, 606 and 608 of Fig. 6), if a logical ID is found that corresponds to the physical ID (page 14 lines 19-24, page 17 line 25 to page 18 line 2, page 20 line 9-15, 410 of Fig. 4, 608 and 610 of Fig. 6, 710 of Fig. 7), search a database that contains metadata associated with the specific media by using the logical ID as a basis for a search query (page 17 line 25 to page 18 line 2, page 28 lines 13-19, 610 of Fig. 6, 1300 of Fig. 13), and if no logical ID is found that corresponds to the physical ID,

attempt to establish a logical ID for the physical ID by causing a Wizard user interface (UI) to be presented to a user via a client computer (page 14 lines 4-18, page 18 line 17 to page 19 line 20, 404 and 408 of Fig. 4, 700 of Fig. 7) so that information pertaining to the user's specific media can be collected from the user (page 15 lines 3-14, page 19 lines 21-25, 414 of Fig. 4, 702 of Fig. 7), wherein different instances of a specific media with the same content thereon are associated with different physical IDs that are mappable to the same logical ID (page 11 lines 16-24, page 14 line 4 to page 15 line 14, page 20 lines 9-15, page 13 line 22 to page 14 line 3, Fig. 3, 404, 408, 410, 412 of Fig. 4, 712 of Fig. 7).

Claim 29 recites a method of processing media content comprising: receiving a physical ID that corresponds to a specific media upon which content resides that can be experienced by a user (page 17 lines 22-23, 604 of Fig. 6), attempting to map the physical ID to a logical ID by searching a first table containing physical ID-to-logical ID mappings using a first search (page 17 lines 23-24, 606 of Fig. 6), if the first search is unsuccessful, searching a second table containing physical ID-to-logical ID mappings using a second search (page 18 lines 2-6, 612 and 614 of Fig. 6), and if a logical ID is found that corresponds to the physical ID (page 18 lines 6-8, 616 of Fig. 6), searching a database that contains metadata associated with the specific media by using the logical ID as a basis for a search query (page 18 lines 6-8, 616 of Fig. 6), wherein different instances of a specific media with the same content thereon are associated with different physical IDs that are mappable to the same logical ID (page

11 lines 16-24, page 14 line 4 to page 15 line 14, page 20 lines 9-15, page 13 line 22 to page 14 line 3, Fig. 3, 404, 408, 410, 412 of Fig. 4, 712 of Fig. 7).

Claim 35 recites one or more computer-readable media having computer-readable instructions thereon (page 8 line 7 to page 9 line 9, 228, 232, 236 of Fig. 2) which, when executed by a computer (page 6 line 15 to page 7 line 6, 200 of Fig. 2), cause the computer (page 6 line 15 to page 7 line 6, 200 of Fig. 2) to: receive a physical ID that corresponds to a specific media upon which content resides that can be experienced by a user (page 17 lines 22-23, 604 of Fig. 6), attempt to map the physical ID to a logical ID by searching a first table containing physical ID-to-logical ID mappings using a first search, the first search comprising a low cost search (page 17 lines 23-24, 606 of Fig 6), if the first search is unsuccessful, search a second table containing physical ID-to-logical ID mappings using a second search (page 18 lines 2-5, 612 of Fig 6), if the second search is unsuccessful, search the first table using a third search, the third search comprising a higher cost search than the first search (page 18 lines 8-11, 618 of Fig 6), and if a logical ID is found that corresponds to the physical ID, search a database that contains metadata associated with the specific media by using the logical ID as a basis for a search query (page 17 line 23 to page 18 line 11, 608, 610, 614, 616, and 620 of Fig 6), wherein different instances of a specific media with the same content thereon are associated with different physical IDs that are mappable to the same logical ID (page 11 lines 16-24, page 14 line 4 to page 15 line 14, page 20 lines 9-15, page 13 line 22 to page 14 line 3, Fig. 3, 404,

408, 410, 412 of Fig. 4, 712 of Fig. 7).

Claim 36 recites a method of processing media content comprising: providing a canonical table containing physical ID to logical ID mappings (page 15 lines 20-24, page 17 lines 19-22, 500 of Fig. 5, 600 of Fig. 6), the physical IDs being associated with specific media containing content that can be experienced by a user (page 11 lines 16-24, Figs. 3 and 5), the logical IDs being configured for use in database queries to locate metadata associated with specific media (page 11 lines 21-24, page 13 lines 22-25, Fig. 3, 404 and 406 of Fig. 4), providing a table containing user-provided physical ID to logical ID mappings (page 17 lines 20-22, 602 of Fig. 6), receiving a physical ID associated with a specific media (page 17 lines 22-23, 604 of Fig. 6), conducting a first low cost search of the canonical table to determine whether there is a matching physical ID with a corresponding logical ID (page 17 lines 23-242, 606 of Fig. 6), if the first low cost search is unsuccessful, conducting a second low cost search of the table containing the user-provided physical ID to logical ID mappings to determine whether there is a matching physical ID with a corresponding logical ID (page 18 lines 2-5, 612 of Fig. 6), if the second low cost search is unsuccessful, conducting a third higher cost search of the canonical table to determine whether there is a matching physical ID with a corresponding logical ID (page 18 lines 8-9, 618 of Fig. 6), and if any of the searches are successful, using the corresponding logical ID to search a database containing metadata associated with the specific media (page 18 lines 1-14, 610, 616 of Fig. 6), wherein different instances of

a specific media with the same content thereon are associated with different physical IDs that are mappable to the same logical ID (page 11 lines 16-24, page 14 line 4 to page 15 line 14, page 20 lines 9-15, page 13 line 22 to page 14 line 3, Fig. 3, 404, 408, 410, and 412 of Fig. 4, 712 of Fig. 7).

Claim 39 recites a method of processing media content comprising: receiving a physical ID that corresponds to a specific media upon which content resides that can be experienced by a user (page 17 lines 22-23, 604 of Fig. 6), attempting to map the physical ID to a logical ID, the logical ID serving as a basis for a search query of a database that contains metadata associated with the specific media (page 17 lines 23-24, 606 of Fig. 6), if no logical ID is found that corresponds to the physical ID, attempting to establish a logical ID for the physical ID by causing a Wizard user interface (UI) to be presented to a user via a client computer (page 14 line 4 to page 15 line 14, page 18 lines 17-24, page 19 lines 11-20, 408 of Fig. 4, 700 of Fig. 7) so that information pertaining to the user's specific media can be collected from the user (page 15 lines 3-14, page 19 line 21 to page 20 line 2, 414 of Fig. 4, 702 of Fig. 7), wherein different instances of a specific media with the same content thereon are associated with different physical IDs that are mappable to the same logical ID (page 11 lines 16-24, page 14 line 4 to page 15 line 14, page 20 lines 9-15, page 13 line 22 to page 14 line 3, Fig. 3, 404, 408, 410, and 412 of Fig. 4, 712 of Fig. 7).

Claim 47 recites one or more computer-readable media having computer-readable instructions thereon (page 8 line 7 to page 9 line 9, 228, 232, 236 of Fig. 2)

which, when executed by a computer (page 6 line 15 to page 7 line 6, 200 of Fig.), cause the computer (page 6 line 15 to page 7 line 6, 200 of Fig. 2) to: receive a physical ID that corresponds to a specific media upon which content resides that can be experienced by a user (page 17 lines 22-23, 604 of Fig. 6), attempt to map the physical ID to a logical ID (page 17 lines 23-25, 606 and 608 of Fig. 6), the logical ID serving as a basis for a search query of a database that contains metadata associated with the specific media, if no logical ID is found that corresponds to the physical ID, attempt to establish a logical ID for the physical ID by causing a Wizard user interface (UI) (page 14 line 4 to page 15 line 14, page 18 lines 17-24, page 19 lines 11-20, 408 of Fig. 4, 700 of Fig. 7) to be presented to a user via a client computer (page 6 line 15 to page 7 line 6, 200 of Fig.) so that information pertaining to the user's specific media can be collected from the user (page 15 lines 3-14, page 19 lines 21-25, 414 of Fig. 4, 702 of Fig. 7), wherein different instances of a specific media with the same content thereon are associated with different physical IDs that are mappable to the same logical ID (page 11 lines 16-24, page 14 line 4 to page 15 line 14, page 20 lines 9-15, page 13 line 22 to page 14 line 3, Fig. 3, 404, 408, 410, and 412 of Fig. 4, 712 of Fig. 7).

Claim 51 recites a system for providing metadata to clients comprising: a trusted canonical table comprising multiple physical IDs associated with specific media (page 15 lines 20-24, 500 of Fig. 5), containing content that can be experienced by a user, multiple logical IDs associated with the multiple physical IDs (page 15

lines 20-24, 500 of Fig. 5), individual physical IDs being mapped to individual logical IDs, at least one other less trusted table containing multiple physical IDs and multiple logical IDs (page 15 line 23 to page 16 line page 6, 502 of Fig. 5), individual physical IDs being mapped to individual logical IDs, and the logical IDs being configured for use in database queries to locate metadata associated with specific media (page 11 lines 12-24, Fig. 3), wherein different instances of a specific media with the same content thereon are associated with different physical IDs that are mappable to the same logical ID (page 11 lines 16-24, page 14 line 4 to page 15 line 14, page 20 lines 9-15, page 13 line 22 to page 14 line 3, Fig. 3, 404, 408, 410, and 412 of Fig. 4, 712 of Fig. 7).

Claim 56 recites a method of processing media content comprising: receiving a physical ID that corresponds to a specific CD (page 17 lines 22-23, 604 of Fig. 6) upon which content resides that can be experienced by a user, attempting to map the physical ID to a logical ID (page 17 lines 23-24, 606 of Fig. 6), if no logical ID is found that corresponds to the physical ID, attempting to establish a logical ID for the physical ID by causing a user interface (UI) to be presented to a user via a client computer (page 14 line 4 to page 15 line 14, page 18 lines 17-24, page 19 lines 11-20, 408 of Fig. 4, 700 of Fig. 7) so that information pertaining to the user's specific media can be collected from the user (page 15 lines 3-14, page 19 line 21 to page 20 line 2, 414 of Fig. 4, 702 of Fig. 7), if a logical ID is found that corresponds to the physical ID, searching a database that contains metadata associated with the CD by using the

logical ID as a basis for a search query (page 13 line 22 to page 14 line 3, page 18 lines 6-8, page 28 lines 13-19, 404 and 406 of Fig. 4, 616 of Fig. 6, 1300 of Fig. 13), formatting the metadata in a XML schema (page 22 line 5 to page 28 line 6, page 28 lines 19-25, 1304 of Fig. 13), and returning the formatted metadata to a client (page 13 line 22 to page 14 line 3, page 18 lines 6-9, page 28 lines 23-25, 406 of Fig. 4, 616 of Fig. 6, 1306 of Fig. 13), wherein different instances of a specific CD with the same content thereon are associated with different physical IDs that are mappable to the same logical ID (page 11 lines 16-24, page 14 line 4 to page 15 line 14, page 20 lines 9-15, page 13 line 22 to page 14 line 3, Fig. 3, 404, 408, 410, and 412 of Fig. 4, 712 of Fig. 7).

Claim 61 recites a method of processing media content comprising: receiving a physical ID that corresponds to a specific DVD (page 17 lines 22-23, 604 of Fig. 6) upon which content resides that can be experienced by a user, attempting to map the physical ID to a logical ID (page 17 lines 23-24, 606 of Fig. 6), if no logical ID is found that corresponds to the physical ID, attempting to establish a logical ID for the physical ID by causing a user interface (UI) to be presented to a user via a client computer (page 14 line 4 to page 15 line 14, page 18 lines 17-24, page 19 lines 11-20, 408 of Fig. 4, 700 of Fig. 7) so that information pertaining to the user's specific media can be collected from the user (page 15 lines 3-14, page 19 line 21 to page 20 line 2, 414 of Fig. 4, 702 of Fig. 7), if a logical ID is found that corresponds to the physical ID, searching a database that contains metadata associated with the DVD by using the

logical ID as a basis for a search query (page 13 line 22 to page 14 line 3, page 18 lines 6-8, page 28 lines 13-19, 406 of Fig. 4, 616 of Fig. 6, 1300 of Fig. 13), formatting the metadata in a XML schema (page 22 line 5 to page 28 line 6, page 28 lines 19-25, 1304 of Fig. 13), and returning the formatted metadata to a client (page 13 line 22 to page 14 line 3, page 18 lines 6-9, page 28 lines 23-25, 406 of Fig. 4, 616 of Fig. 6, 1306 of Fig. 13), wherein different instances of a specific DVD with the same content thereon are associated with different physical IDs that are mappable to the same logical ID (page 11 lines 16-24, page 14 line 4 to page 15 line 14, page 20 lines 9-15, page 13 line 22 to page 14 line 3, Fig. 3, 404, 408, 410, and 412 of Fig. 4, 712 of Fig. 7).

Claim 69 recites a method of processing media content comprising: generating a physical ID that corresponds to a specific media (page 13 lines 11-21, 402 of Fig. 4) upon which content resides that can be experienced by a user on a client computer (page 5 line 24 to page 6 line 10, 100, 102 of Fig. 1), wherein different instances of the specific media with the same content thereon are associated with different physical IDs that are mappable to a same logical ID (page 11 lines 16-24, page 14 line 4 to page 15 line 14, page 20 lines 9-15, page 13 line 22 to page 14 line 3, Fig. 3, 404, 408, 410, and 412 of Fig. 4, 712 of Fig. 7), sending the physical ID to a server configured to return metadata associated with the specific media (page 13 lines 11-24, 402 and 404 of Fig. 4,), attempting to map the physical ID to a logical ID (page 13 line 22 to page 14 line 18, 404, 406, and 408 of Fig. 4), if no logical ID is found that

corresponds to the physical ID, attempt to establish a logical ID for the physical ID by causing a user interface (UI) to be presented to a user via a client computer so that information pertaining to the user's specific media can be collected from the user (page 14 line 4 to page 15 line 3, page 18 lines 17-24, page 19 lines 11-20, 408 of Fig. 4, 700 of Fig. 7), if a logical ID is found that corresponds to the physical ID, searching a database that contains metadata associated with the specific media by using the logical ID as a basis for a search query (page 13 line 24 to page 14 line 3, 404 and 406 of Fig. 4), receiving, from the server, XML-formatted metadata (page 13 lines 15-21, page 28 lines 19-25, page 29 lines 7-10, Server of Fig. 4, 1306 of Fig. 13, 1400 of Fig. 14), parsing, with the client computer, the XML-formatted metadata (page 29 line 7-10, 1402 of Fig. 14), and displaying the metadata for the user on the client computer (page 29 line 9-10, 1404 of Fig. 14).

Claim 72 recites a method of providing metadata to a client comprising: establishing a table that contains user-provided entries that map physical IDs to logical IDs (page 11 lines 16-24, page 15 line 20 to page 16 line 6, page 17 lines 19-22, Fig. 3, 500, 502 of Fig. 5, 600 and 602 of Fig. 6), the physical IDs corresponding to specific media upon which content resides that can be experienced by various users (page 11 lines 16-24, Fig. 3), the logical IDs being configured for use in querying one or more databases that contain metadata associated with the specific media (page 13 line 22 to page 14 line 3, page 18 lines 6-8, page 28 lines 13-19, 406 of Fig. 4, 616 of Fig. 6, 1300 of Fig. 13), the metadata being returnable to a client (page 13 line 22 to

page 14 line 3, page 18 lines 6-9, page 28 lines 23-25, 406 of Fig. 4, 616 of Fig. 6, 1306 of Fig. 13), statistically evaluating the entries to determine, for each physical ID, a most likely logical ID match (page 32 line 6 to page 33 line 19, 1600, 1602, 1604, 1606, and 1608 of Fig 16), and making the most likely logical ID match available so that it can be used to query the one or more databases (page 33 line 18 to page 34 line 6, 1610, 1612, 1614, 1616, and 1618 of Fig 16).

Claim 74 recites a method of providing metadata to a client comprising: providing a table containing user-provided entries that map physical IDs to logical IDs (page 11 lines 16-24, page 15 line 20 to page 16 line 6, page 17 lines 19-22, Fig. 3, 500 and 502 of Fig. 5, 600 and 602 of Fig. 6), the physical IDs corresponding to specific media upon which content resides that can be experienced by various users (page 11 lines 16-24, Fig. 3), the logical IDs being configured for use in querying one or more databases that contain metadata associated with the specific media (page 13 line 22 to page 14 line 3, page 18 lines 6-8, page 28 lines 13-19, 406 of Fig. 4, 616 of Fig. 6, 1300 of Fig. 13), the metadata being returnable to a client (page 13 line 22 to page 14 line 3, page 18 lines 6-9, page 28 lines 23-25, 406 of Fig. 4, 616 of Fig. 6, 1306 of Fig. 13), computing, from the table, a list of physical IDs that are to be statistically evaluated (page 32 lines 6-10, 1600 of Fig. 16), for each listed physical ID, ascertaining the logical IDs that have been associated with it by users (page 32 lines 10-18, 1602 of Fig. 16), computing a distribution of logical IDs for a given physical ID, the distribution describing, for each logical ID, the number of times the

physical ID has been mapped thereto (page 32 line 19 to page 33 line 2, 1604 of Fig. 16), adding to the distribution, an entry that corresponds to a current trusted logical ID mapping (page 33 lines 3-10, 1606 of Fig. 16), weighting the added entry (page 33 lines 11-18, 1608 of Fig. 16), and computing, from the distribution, a most likely physical ID to logical ID match (page 33 lines 18-21, 1610 of Fig. 16).

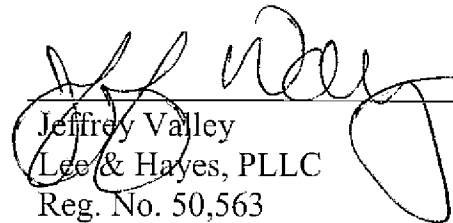
Conclusion

Appellant respectfully submits that this summary of the Claimed subject matter is in compliance with 37 CFR 41.37(c)(1)(v).

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